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TO AMEMBASSY BANGUI IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PDEV,CT

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING TELEGRAPHIC MESSAGE FROM  
PRESIDENT FORD TO PRESIDENT BOKASSA. QUOTE:  
MR. PRESIDENT: IT WAS WITH PROFOUND RELIEF THAT I LEARNED  
OF YOUR ESCAPE UNHARMED FROM THE ATTEMPT ON  
YOUR LIFE. PLEASE ACCEPT MY PERSONAL GOOD WISHES AND  
THOSE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE FOR YOUR CONTINUED SAFETY  
AND WELL-BEING. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. UNQUOTE

2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN RELEASE BUT HAS NO OBJECTIONS  
TO RELEASE BY RECIPIENT.

3. WHITE HOUSE NOT FORWARDING ORIGINAL COPY OF PRESIDENT'S  
MESSAGE. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT. KISSINGER

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## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
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**Decaption Note:**  
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**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** morefirh  
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**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
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